

CLAY TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
January 14, 2013

The Supervisors of Clay Township met on a regularly scheduled meeting date of January 14, 2013, at the Clay Township Municipal Office, 870 Durlach Road, Stevens, Pennsylvania, at a time and place duly established to hold such a meeting, and advertised and posted in accordance with the Second Class Township Code and the Sunshine Law.

Supervisors present were Timothy Lausch, Chairman and Keith Martin, Secretary. Justin Harnish, Vice-Chairman was absent due to vacation.

Clay Township employee present was Bruce Leisey, Township Manager. Also present were Bob Lynn of Hanover Engineering, Inc., Township Engineer and Jennifer Mejia of Shirk and Mejia, Township Solicitor.

Also attending were those listed on the meeting attendance sheet, which is attached to these Minutes.

Timothy Lausch called the Meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the December 10, 2012 meeting minutes as printed in the January 14, 2013 agenda. * The motion was approved unanimously.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the December 21, 2012 meeting minutes as printed in the January 14, 2013. * The motion was approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December, 2012. *The motion was approved unanimously.

Visitors

1. Judy Blanchard, 55 Clay School Road

Ms. Blanchard expressed her concerns with the turn in the road in front of her house. Vehicles are missing the curve and running off the road onto the curb and into mailboxes.

Mary Ann Mcelhany and Peter Leach neighbors on each side of Ms. Blanchard were also in attendance.

The Board of Supervisors and Township Engineer discussed several options to try and make the curve more visible, among the options are reflector signs.

The residents are not in favor of having reflector signs in their yards unless it is necessary. No decisions were made at this time. The Board of Supervisors will further investigate options.

2. David Martin, 502 Foggy Bottom Road

Mr. Martin informed the Board of Supervisors of the items discussed at a meeting between Wildflower Home Owners and the Developer. Mr. Martin has concerns with the Home Owners Association taking over the detention pond with active sinkholes in basin. There were also several questions regarding the sidewalks compliance with ADA standards and concerns regarding future financial responsibility for the stormwater facilities and sidewalks. Several other residents of the Wildflower Pond Development were present and raised similar concerns.

The Township Solicitor stated that her office was in touch with attorneys for both the Developer and residents and would keep the Board of Supervisors and residents aware of progress.

No decisions were made at this time.

3. Herb Noack, 216 Woodchuck Drive

Mr. Noack asked for a status of the speed limit signs. The Board of Supervisors stated that the locations have been identified and an order will be placed soon. There will be a two to three week delivery and installation time frame.

Mr. Noack also asked about the dog refuse containers in the park and the damage that has been done to the containers. The Road Master will look into this.

Engineer's Report

1. Clayton Martin – Storm Water Management Plan Approval

Ted Cromleigh, Developers Engineer, reviewed the plan with the Board of Supervisors.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to grant approval of the following waivers/modifications. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Section 303.A.3 – Minimum Pipe size of 15 inches

The applicant is requesting a modification of the 15 inch minimum pipe diameter for stormwater conveyance pipes. The proposed stormwater facility is an infiltration trench connected to a 26 inch catch basin by 8 inch diameter piping. The justification provided is that the tributary area to the system is small and is for a residential use not to be dedicated to Clay Township.

Section 304.F.2a – Minimum separation depth of 48 inches between the bottom of the facility and the limiting zone

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide a minimum separation distance of 48 inches between the bottom of the proposed facility and the limiting zone. The applicant indicates that the soils' testing was performed in the area of the proposed infiltration trench at a depth of 8 feet. Due to the existing slope of the lot, the proposed infiltration facility is 4.5 feet below finished grade at the low side and 7 feet at the high side. The applicant further states that the soil probe did not find a limiting zone, rather 8 feet was anticipated as the needed depth at the time of testing. The contributing drainage area consists of a single family dwelling and associated improvements in a rural area. The percolation test was performed at a depth of 5 feet below grade.

Section 402.B.16 – Significant features located within 200 feet

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide all significant features located within 200 feet on the plan. The justification for the request is that the plan currently shows 60 to 100 feet around the site. The applicant believes this shows significant features such as the transmission line easement, etc. The project is minor in nature with a lot size of 0.951 acres.

Section 402.B.19 – Minimum 20 foot side drainage easement

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide drainage easements at a minimum width of 20 feet. The justification provided is that the plan provides a 10 foot wide drainage easement along the existing riprap channel, and along the roof leader from the catch basin along the shared driveway. The riprap channel is an existing feature. The catch basin is a yard inlet with a 6 inch diameter pipe. The 10 foot easements are adjacent to the shared driveway easement, and the applicant feels that it will provide adequate area for inspections and repairs.

Section 402.D.2 – Minimum 50 foot separation between an on-lot sewage system and an infiltration facility

The applicant is requesting a modification of the requirement to provide a minimum 50-foot buffer between any infiltration facility and on-lot sewage system. The plan proposes a buffer of 30-feet from the primary sewage system. The applicant indicates the infiltration trench is below grade and downslope of the sewage system. The applicant also notes that Chapter 73 of the DEP PA Code requires a 10-foot separation.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to grant approval on the Clayton Martin Stormwater Management Plan contingent on compliance with the Hanover Engineer letter dated 1/11/13 and the Shirk & Mejia letter dated 1/14/13. * The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Eastern Mennonite Publications – Time Extension Request

After review, Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve the written time extension request for an additional 120 days (May 21, 2013) to take action on the plan. * The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Charity Gardens – Storm Water Pipe Inspections

Bob Lynn, Township Engineer, reviewed the price quotation to televise and repair the stormwater pipes in the Charity Gardens development.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to authorize Hanover Engineer Associates to coordinate the stormwater televising and repairs in Clay Township's portion of Charity Gardens development.

No other decisions were made at this time.

New Business

1. Execute Agreement with Echternacht and Kimmet

After review, Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to execute the Sinkhole Repair Agreement between Judy Echternacht, Todd Kimmet and Clay Township. * The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Approve Rock Road Bridge Change Order #3 and Payment Request #2&3

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve change order #3 in the amount of \$674.77 for additional asphalt work. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve payment request #2 for work through 12/21/12 in the amount of \$25,572.60. * The motion was unanimously approved.

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve payment request #3 for work through 12/28/12 to reduce retainage (per agreement) to 5% in the amount of \$3,325.70. * The motion was unanimously approved.

3. Authorize Attendance at PSATS Convention April 21-24, 2013

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to authorize attendance for Justin Harnish, Earl Stauffer, Bruce Leisey and Keith Martin to the PSATS Convention. * The motion was unanimously approved.

4. Approve 2010 PA Liquid Fuels Examination Report

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve the 2010 PA Liquid Fuels Examination report as prepared. * The motion was unanimously approved.

5. Approve Payment of 2013 PSATS Dues

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch to approve payment of the 2013 PSATS Dues in the amount of \$1,446.00. * The motion was unanimously approved.

6. Purchase of Replacement Truck Body

The Road Master informed the Board of Supervisors that he received 3 quotes to move the truck body from the 96 truck to the 90 truck and to install a new stainless steel dump body and spreader on the 96 truck.

The lowest quote was \$24,601 from US Municipal, \$25,505 from IM Supply and \$27,550 from Kurtz. This will be purchased through the PA Co-Starts program so bidding will not be required.

Bills to be Paid

General Fund

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the General Fund bills totaling \$49,347.87 for the month of December. *The motion was approved unanimously.

Rec Fund

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the Recreation Fund bills totaling \$1,975.82 for the month of December. *The motion was approved unanimously.

Sewer Fund

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to approve the Sewer Fund bills totaling \$4,219.65 for the month of December. *The motion was approved unanimously.

Reports for the Month

1. Chief of Police / Police Department
2. Fire Companies / Ambulance
3. DMR
4. Engineer’s Report

Adjournment

Keith Martin made a motion, seconded by Tim Lausch, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 P.M. *The motion was approved unanimously.

Clay Township Board of Supervisors

Timothy Lausch, Chairman

ABSENT

Justin Harnish, Vice-Chairman

Keith Martin, Secretary